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12 December 2003 (12.12.03)	<u> </u>		
Applicant's or agent's file reference HF-327-PCT	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION		
International application No. / PCT/JP03/13328	International filing date (day/month/year) 17 October 2003 (17.10.03)		
International publication date (day/month/year) Not yet published	Priority date (day/month/year) 22 October 2002 (22.10.02)		

- 1. The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the / International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b).
- 2. This updates and replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission or transmittal of priority documents.
- 3. An asterisk(*) appearing next to a date of receipt, in the right-hand column, denotes a priority document submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau but not in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b). In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.
- 4. The letters "NR" appearing in the right-hand column denote a priority document which was not received by the International Bureau or which the applicant did not request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau, as provided by Rule 17.1(a) or (b), respectively. In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

Priority date	Priority application No.	Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office	Date of receipt of priority document
22 Octo 2002 (22.10.02)	2002-306880	JP	07 Nove 2003 (07.11.03)

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NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

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06 May 2004 (06.05.2004)

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Applicant

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1. Notice is hereby given that the International Bureau has communicated, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this notice:

EP, KR, US

In accordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time:

None

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a copy of the international application (Rule 49.1(a-bis)).

- Enclosed with this notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 06 May 2004 (06.05.2004) under No. WO 2004/037499
- 4. TIME LIMITS for filing a demand for international preliminary examination and for entry into the national phase

The applicable time limit for entering the national phase will, subject to what is said in the following paragraph, be 30 MONTHS from the priority date, not only in respect of any elected Office if a demand for international preliminary examination is filed before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date, but also in respect of any designated Office, in the absence of filing of such demand, where Article 22(1) as modified with effect from 1 April 2002 applies in respect of that designated Office. For further details, see *PCT Gazette* No. 44/2001 of 1 November 2001, pages 19926, 19932 and 19934, as well as the *PCT Newsletter*, October and November 2001 and February 2002 issues.

In practice, time limits other than the 30-month time limit will continue to apply, for various periods of time, in respect of certain designated or elected Offices. For regular updates on the applicable time limits (20, 21, 30 or 31 months, or other time limit), Office by Office, refer to the PCT Gazette, the PCT Newsletter and the PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume II, National Chapters, all available from WIPO's Internet site, at http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/index.html.

For filing a demand for international preliminary examination, see the PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume I/A, Chapter IX. Only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination (at present, all PCT Contracting States are bound by Chapter II).

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to monitor all these time limits.

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland

Authorized officer

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21 APR 2005

To:

Japan

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INFORMATION CONCERNING ELECTED OFFICES NOTIFIED OF THEIR ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.3)

YOSHIDA, Yutaka 816, Ikebukuro White House Building 20-2, Higashi Ikebukuro U-ehemle Toshima-ku, Toky 8-170-0010anks

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 10 May 2004 (10.05.2004)

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Applicant

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 The applicant is hereby informed that the International Bureau has, according to Article 31(7), notified each of the following Offices of its election:

EP:AT,BE,BG,CH,CY,CZ,DE,DK,EE,ES,FI,FR,GB,GR,HU,IE,IT,LU,MC,NL,PT,RO,SE,

SI,SK,TR

National: KR, US

2. The following Offices have waived the requirement for the notification of their election; the notification will be sent to them by the International Bureau only upon their request:

None

3. The applicant is reminded that he must enter the "national phase" before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date before each of the Offices listed above. This must be done by paying the national fee(s) and furnishing, if prescribed, a translation of the international application (Article 39(1)(a)), as well as, where applicable, by furnishing a translation of any annexes of the international preliminary examination report (Article 36(3)(b) and Rule 74.1).

Some offices have fixed time limits expiring later than the above-mentioned time limit. For detailed information about the applicable time limits and the acts to be performed upon entry into the national phase before a particular Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

The entry into the European regional phase is postponed until 31 months from the priority date for all States designated for the purposes of obtaining a European patent.

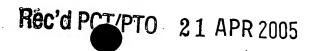
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The demand must be filed directly with the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority or, if two or more Authorities are competent, with the one chosen by the applicant. The full name or two-letter code of that Authority may be indicated by the applicant on the line below:

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CHAPTER II

DEMAND

under Article 31 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

The undersigned requests that the international application specified below be the subject of international preliminary examination according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty and hereby elects all eligible States (except where otherwise indicated).

For International Preliminary Examining Authority use only				
Identification of IPEA		Date of receipt of DEMAND		
Box No. I IDENTIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION			Applicant's or agent's file reference HF-327-PCT	
International application No. PCT/JP03/13328	International filing date 17.10		(Earliest) Priority date (day/month/year) 22.10.02	
Title of invention ROBOT JOINT STRUCTURE				
Box No. II APPLICANT(S)	2-3	······································		
Name and address: (Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)			Telephone No. 03-5412-1114	
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JAPAN			Teleprinter No.	
			Applicant's registration No. with the Office	
State (that is, country) of nationality: JAPAN State (that is, country) of residence: JAPAN			ry) of residence:	
Name and address: (Family name followed by g	ziven name; for a legal entity, fi	ull official designation. The	address must include postal code and name of country.)	
SUGAWARA Zenta				
c/o KABUSHIKI KAISHA HONDA GIJYUTSU KENKYUSYO, 4-1, Chuo 1-chome, Wako-shi, Saitama 351-0193 JAPAN				
State (that is, country) of nationality: JAPAN		State (that is, country JAPAN	ry) of residence:	
Name and address: (Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)				
MATSUDA Hiroshi				
c/o KABUSHIKI KAISHA HONDA GIJYUTSU KENKYUSYO, 4-1, Chuo 1-chome, Wako-shi, Saitama 351-0193 JAPAN				
State (that is, country) of nationality: JAPAN		State (that is, country, JAPAN) of residence:	
Further applicants are indicated on	a continuation sheet.			

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Box No. III AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE; OR ADDRESS FOR CO	PRRESPONDENCE	
The following person is agent common representative	·	
and X has been appointed earlier and represents the applicant(s) also for international pr	eliminary examination.	
is hereby appointed and any earlier appointment of (an) agent(s)/common represe	ntative is hereby revoked.	
is hereby appointed, specifically for the procedure before the International Prelim the agent(s)/common representative appointed earlier.	inary Examining Authority, in addition to	
Name and address: (Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)	Telephone No. 03-5956-7220	
8197 YOSHIDA Yutaka	Facsimile No.	
6197 TOOTHERY Talana	03-5956-7222	
816, Ikebukuro White House Building, 20-2,	Teleprinter No.	
Higashi Ikebukuro 1-chome, Toshima-ku,		
Tokyo 170-0013 JAPAN	Agent's registration No. with the Office	
Address for correspondence: Mark this check-box where no agent or common space above is used instead to indicate a special address to which correspondence	representative is/has been appointed and the e should be sent.	
Box No. IV BASIS FOR INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION		
Statement concerning amendments:*		
1. The applicant wishes the international preliminary examination to start on the basis o	f:	
the international application as originally filed		
the description as originally filed		
as amended under Article 34		
the claims as originally filed		
as amended under Article 19 (together with any accompany)	ng statement)	
as amended under Article 34		
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the drawings as originally filed as amended under Article 34		
2. The applicant wishes any amendment to the claims under Article 19 to be considered.		
3. The applicant wishes the start of the international preliminary examination to be from the priority date unless the International Preliminary Examining Authority	postponed until the expiration of 20 months receives a copy of any amendments made	
under Article 19 or a notice from the applicant that he does not wish to make such box may be marked only where the time limit under Article 19 has not yet expire	h amendments (Rule 69.1(d)). (This check-	
* Where no check-box is marked, international preliminary examination will start or as originally filed or, where a copy of amendments to the claims under Article 19 and/or under Article 34 are received by the International Preliminary Examining Authority before or the international preliminary examination report, as so amended.	amendments of the international application ore it has begun to draw up a written opinion	
Language for the purposes of international preliminary examination: Japanese	<u> </u>	
which is the language in which the international application was filed.		
which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of internati	onal search.	
which is the language of publication of the international application.		
which is the language of the translation (to be) furnished for the purposes o	international preliminary examination.	
Box No. V ELECTION OF STATES		
The applicant hereby elects all eligible States (that is, all States which have been design the PCT)	ated and which are bound by Chapter II of	
excluding the following States which the applicant wishes not to elect:		

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Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the demand). YOSHIDA Yutaka (Seal)						
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FEE CALCULATION SHEET

Annex to the Demand

Applicant HF-327-PCT Applicant HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA CALCULATION OF PRESCRIBED FEES 1. Preliminary examination fee	International application No. PCT/JP03/13328 For International Preliminary Examining Authority use only application No.
HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA CALCULATION OF PRESCRIBED FEES 1. Preliminary examination fee	Applicant's or agent's file reference HF-327-PCT Date stamp of the IPEA
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